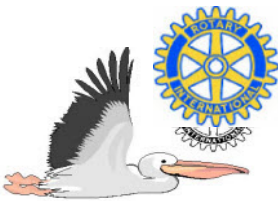


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San-Captions

2013-2014 District 6960 Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club
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SANIBEL-CAPTIVA ROTARY CLUB

Board Officers:


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Ron Burton

"Engage Rotary/Change Lives"

Waiting for logo design

DISTRICT #6960
GOVERNOR 2013-2014

Tim Milligan

"Make a World of Difference"

SAN-CAP ROTARY CLUB 2013-14 PRESIDENT'S THEME



Waiting for theme announcement.

SERVICE ABOVE SELF

Harlem Heights School Supply Disbursement Event **TODAY**.
The Heights Foundation equips nearly 400 low-income children in the Harlem Heights neighborhood with school supplies needed for a successful school experience.
At the Heights Center – 15570 Hagie Drive in Fort Myers.
PLEASE ARRIVE AROUND 3:00 FOR SET UP
Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Till 7:00 p.m.
Volunteers already signed up: Mike Rabb, Will Palmer, Bunny Ospa, Frank Hagan, Chet Sadler, Bob Guggino & Shirley Jewell

MEMBER NEWS & NOTES:



Don Russell & John Danner's Cousin is in Town

*Chet Sadler reminds all of us to vote for our Rotary Arts & Crafts Fair Sponsors in this year Best of the Islands contest. We can also vote for Sanibel-Captiva Rotary for Best Service Club on the Island. - Ballots in Newspaper
*John Danner announced that his 60/60 Wheelchair Fundraiser collection plate has somewhere around \$11,000 in it...this does not include the club's matching funds up to \$3,500.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS:

- 7/26 Gary Bryant,
Disabled Veterans Insurance
Careers, Inc.
 - 8/2 Installation of New Member,
Jack Alexander
 - ' Katlin Upton, Rotary's S4TL
New Membership Procedure
Announcement
 - 8/9 Ann Bradley
Captiva Memorial Library
 - 8/16 Ozzie Smith
Fishing Guide
 - 8/23 Justin McBride
- Recruiters: Janet Strickland, Scot Congress, Chet Sadler, Emily Kleitzen

**BRING A FRIEND, NEIGHBOR , OR
CO-WORKER TO JOIN US AT AN UP-
COMING MEETING. LET THEM SEE
FOR THEMSELVES WHAT A GREAT
CLUB WE HAVE...**

Club Song Giver of all things good, We Thank you for this food, With one accord Lead
us we humbly pray, Onward in Rotary's way
Of service day by day, Most Gracious Lord
(Tune of My Country Tis of Thee)

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE:

You certainly know we are deep into the summer mode here on the Islands. Road traffic has somewhat diminished, restaurant tables are available at peak hours; water temperature at the beach is somewhere around 85 degrees, and tradewinds and daily rains continue to keep the heat at bay. Summer here, also, is the time many of our friends and neighbors go up North or elsewhere for their vacations; leaving behind just a precious few to hold down the fort. Our Rotarian club attendance dwindles down but the club's executive board and committee chairs hold most of their planning sessions during this time. If any of our fellow non-profits or service clubs have any projects that they would like San-Cap Rotary to explore partnering up with or need some financial support for, please contact us now. We are in the process of evaluating future plans for the upcoming year.

Future planning is part of life and planning for a healthy financial future in all stages of our life is extremely important. In most cases that is when we need to bring in the professionals. Steve Hall, SunTrust Senior Vice President Investment Strategist/Portfolio Manager is one of those professional that Rotary invited to speak to us. Steve has spent the last 30+ years in the investment industry. He worked for the large investment firms, EF Hutton and Prudential Bache. Regional brokerage firms, Hanifen, Imhoff Securities and Boettcher & Company and established his own investment company where he was a managing partner for 11 years. In 2008 he joined US Trust/Bank of America Private Wealth and in November 2012, Steve accepted his position at SunTrust.



Steve really didn't have a lot of time to delve into investment strategies in depth with about fifteen minutes at our podium, but did touch on a few financial components of today's financial marketplace.

Today economic factors are driven by a global-base economy with fragile and changing financial factors happening all around the world. The US is muddling through but we

TRAVEL NOTES: Stinky Creek TN

Bill Rahe traveling through Tennessee stopped by fellow Rotarian Hack Ayers' place near Stinky Creek, TN for the night. He spent hours viewing all the photos, clippings, antiques and art Hack has on display at the his Hapton Inn.. Hack must be the community historian especially regarding those Tennessee moonshiners. The area has it all - beautiful scenery, mountain music and great BBQ.



have a weaken economy from past dangerous government policies. There is a triple effect felt in real estate markets, the auto industry, and energy sectors. The industrial nations of the world China, Brazil, and India along with developed economies of Russia and Eastern Europe are feeling the effects of bad government oversight and the lack of consumer confidence. There has been six quarters of bad news regarding sales factors out of Europe.

Although there has been a lot of bad news in recent years, there is cautious optimism for the U.S. economy. Banks have adjusted to the new discipline processes. US firms and businesses are investing in their companies, once again. The threat of rising interest rates caused the bond market to drop and a switch to stock investment. The U.S. Stock Market is the strongest in the world right now. Federal Reserve Chairman, Ben Bernanke's recent speech put new optimism and life back into investing, the problem is where? Steve said, "Not to look for just stock yields, but increased earnings plus yield over time. No fad buying, don't buy what everyone else is, don't buy low...wait for uplift when stocks are trending upward. It's not about just return...look at risk. Return on bonds will be depressed and forecasted returns are low. Keep watch on commodities and emerging markets; they affect many aspects of trading. Transparent Hedge Funds and Mutual funds have a broader mandate and diversified portfolios. Financial investing is a disciplined process." Obviously Steve said quite a deal more but as the writer of this article my understanding on this topic is lacking. If you have any questions regarding this subject, call Steve at SunTrust.

Makeup Meeting Locations

Monday	Noon - Fort Myers-South... Crown Plaza Bell Tower
Tuesday	Noon - Estero... Spring Run Country Club Noon - Fort Myers... TBD
Wednesday	7:30 AM - Bonita Springs... Bonita Bay Club 7:30 AM - Fort Myers-East... Beef O'Brady's 7:30 AM - Fort Myers Sunrise ... Hilton Garden Inn 8:00 AM - Cape Coral... LaVenezia Ballroom 6:30 PM - Cape Coral North... Southside Sport Grill
Thursday	Noon - Lehigh Acres...Microtell Inn & Suites 8:00 AM - North Fort Myers Fishbones at Shell Factory
Friday	Noon - Bonita Springs...Spanish Wells CC 11:45 AM - CapeCoral...Gold Coast...Gulf Coast Village